Export of Readymade Garments

† 1888. SHRIMATl VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the value of exports of readymade garments during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the countries where Indian readymade garments are in demand; and

(c) the exports to those countries in rupee form during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) As per DGCI&S data, the exports of readymade garments during the last three years i.e. 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-01 were as follows:

Year	Value	
	(US$ in Million)	(Rs. in Crore)
1998-1999	4364.7	18363.6
1999-2000	4765.1	20648.5
2000-2001	5569.5	25470.9

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata.

(b) and (c) The U.S.A., EU Member States, Canada, U.A.E. Japan, Saudi Arabia, Australia and South Africa are the major

† Orignal notice of the question was received in Hindi.

importing countries of our readymade garments. The exports of readymade garments to these countries during the last three years i.e. 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-01 were as follows:—

(Rs. in Crores)

Countries	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
U.S.A.	6000.53	6407.06	8432.75
E.U.	6504.49	7079.23	7981.67
U.A.E.	1699.95	2124.31	2487.21
Canada	745.09	881.87	1070.26
Japan	307.99	331.27	525.87
Saudi Arabia	286.21	422.93	503.57
South Africa	166.67	175.97	196.45
Australia	224.49	247.45	242.24

Source: DGCI & S, Kolkata

Conference of International Silk Association in Bangalore

1889. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the four-day World Congress of the International Silk Association was held in Bangalore on December 3, 2001;

(b) if so, what were the main subjects discussed;

(c) whether the Union Government have announced five point strategy for silk industry development;

(d) if so, the details of the strategy; and

(e) by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, International Silk Association held its 23rd Congress in Bangalore from 3rd to 6th December, 2001 to which its members were delegates. The Congress discussed technical as well as trade and market related issues. Sessions included the presentation of papers by